IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application:) Before the Examiner
Mark A. Stansbury	
Serial No. 10/669,829))) Group Art Unit 3632
Filed September 24, 2003)
FURNACE MOUNT AND METHOD OF INSTALLATION))) Our Ref.: 27028-5

DECLARATION OF DAVE COURNOYER

- I, Dave Cournoyer, hereby swear and affirm as follows:
- I am the Service Manager at J. Maloney & Sons in Cedar Brook, New Jersey. We are an HVAC-R Service Contractor, and as part of our work we install residential and light commercial furnaces.
- 2. In particular, our company has purchased and used the NSA Products, Inc. Purnace Mounting Blocks. Such Furnace Mounting Blocks are the type generally illustrated in the drawings labeled Figs. 5-10 and attached here as Exhibit A.
- 3. Prior to NSA Products' furnace mounting block, I had never seen a light-weight furnace mounting block system of this type for elevating the furnace from the floor.
- I consider the Furnace Mounting Block of NSA Products to be a fabulous invention. The Furnace Mounting Block system as compared to previous techniques, such as utilizing masonry blocks to hold the furnace off of the floor, leads to a significantly enhanced installation. The Furnace Mounting Block also improves the quality of the installer's work day by eliminating the need to carry

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beavy masonry blocks to the job site and afford ng in many jobs the option to slide the furnace into position while seated on the furnace mounting blocks. When using masonry blocks the furnace and masoury blocks move separately when the furnace is adjusted into place. With the 'NSA Furnace Mounting Blocks the blocks and the furnace move together as one unit. Thereby, providing au installation time saving of about fifteen minutes for many installations

- 5. In my experience, prior to NSA Products' Furnace Mounting Blocks, utilization of masonry blocks to install a furnace was a given - it was just the way ir was done.
- NSA Products' Furnace Mounting Block provides a simple but powerful 6. solution to the problems associated with mounting furnaces above the floor. Because of the many benefits associated with the product, our company has adopted the Furnace Mounting Blocks as our preterred means for mounting furnaces above the floor.
- 7. Other than being a satisfied customer, I have no financial interest in NSA Products or its patent application.
- I being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made 8. are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, declare that the facts set forth in the Declaration are true; all statements made of my own knowledge are true; and all statements made on information are believed to be truc.

Date: 2-9-04











